(d) whether there would be a time-frame before which the University could be opened?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (d) In an incident dated 16th September, 2007, one B.Sc student, Mr. Mazhar Naeem, was brutally attacked near his hostel by certain unidenitifed miscreants, leading to his death. The agitated students had resorted to an unprecedented level of violence and arson. With a view to restoring normalcy, the University was closed *sine-die* with effect from 17th September, 2007, by the University authorities.

Following the requisite security cover provided by the district administration, the University has since re-opened in phases in a smooth and orderly manner.

The Executive Council of the University has authorized the Vice Chancellor to appoint a one-man inquiry commission headed by a retired Judge of Supreme Court/High Court hailing from a distant State to inquire into the series of incidents of indiscipline and violence witnessed by the University from June, 2006 to September, 2007.

Assistance and recognition to universities and colleges in Punjab and Karnataka

1338. SHRI VARINDER SINGH BAJWA:
SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether proposals/requests from universities and colleges in Punjab and Karnataka, for recognition and financial assistance, are at present, pending with the University Grants Commission;

(b) if so, the details thereof, indicating, *inter alia,* the date of receipt of the proposals/ requests by the U.G.C, case-wise and State-wise; and

(c) by when the decision thereon is likely to be taken, case-wise and State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) From Punjab, the University Grants Commission (UGC) has received a proposal from Rajiv Gandhi National Law University, Patiala on the 9th Oct. 2007 financial assistance under Section 12 (B) of UGC Act, 1956. There are no pending proposals in respect of universities or colleges from Karnataka.

(c) Every proposal for recognition and financial assistance received from colleges/ universities in the UGC is examined as per the provisions of the UGC guidelines that include *inter-alia,* spot assessment of infrastructure and academic facilities available in such colleges/ universities by an Expert Committee of the UGC. Decision to grant recognition and provide financial assistance or otherwise is taken upon consideration of the Committee's recommendations on the merits of each case and therefore, no time limit can be prescribed.

Inclusion of Government colleges of Kerala in 2(F) and 12(B) lists of UGC

1339. SHRI A. VIJYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many Government colleges of Kerala had been included in the 2(F) and 12(B) lists of University Grants Commission; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, including the names of Government colleges that are included in the said lists of UGC, alongwith the date of their inclusion, category-wise, college-wise and district-wise as on date?